

HOUSE BILL 583

By McDaniel

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39,
Chapter 14, Part 4, relative to trespass offenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-406, is amended by deleting subsection (a) and substituting instead the following:

(a) A person commits aggravated criminal trespass who enters or remains on property when:

(1) The person knows the person does not have the property owner's effective consent to do so; and

(2) The person intends, knows, or is reckless about whether such person's presence will cause fear for the safety of another; or

(3) The person, in order to gain entry to the property, destroys, cuts, vandalizes, alters or removes a gate, signage, fencing, lock, chain or other barrier designed to keep trespassers from entering the property.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011, the public welfare requiring it.